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Encl: (1) Basic History for Calendar Year 1977
(2) Organization Chart of COMSUBRON SIX Staff
(3) Submarine Squadron SIX Staff Roster - End of CY 1977
(4) Biography of Captain D. M. SMITH, COMSUBRON SIX [BIO FILE]

1. Enclosures (1) through (4) are forwarded in accordance with references (a) and (b).


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BASIC HISTORY

1. Command Organization.

a. Captain Dickinson M. SMITH, USN, relieved Captain Austin M. SCOTT, USN as COMSUBRON SIX on 22 July 1977 and remained in command at the end of Calendar Year 1977.

b. No change in the mission and function of Commander Submarine Squadron SIX occurred during 1977.

c. Submarine Squadron SIX was comprised of the following ships at the end of 1977:

<u>SHIP</u>	<u>COMMANDING OFFICER</u>
USS L. Y. SPEAR (AS 36)	CAPT E. J. TOUPIN, USN
USS KITTIWAKE (ASR 13)	LCDR F. M. SCHERY, USN
USS ORTOLAN (ASR 22)	CDR A. C. ESAU, USN
USS LAPON (SSN 661)	CDR P. WILKINS, USN
USS HAMMERHEAD (SSN 663)	CDR V. L. HILL, JR., USN
USS SEA DEVIL (SSN 664)	CDR D. D. BLAHA, USN
USS SPADEFISH (SSN 668)	CDR J. S. PERRY, USN
USS FINBACK (SSN 670)	CDR D. M. HEATH, USN
USS FLYING FISH (SSN 673)	CDR T. A. MEINICKE, USN
USS BLUEFISH (SSN 675)	CDR W. F. FERNOW, USN
USS SILVERSIDES (SSN 679)	CDR R. A. YOUNG, USN
USS LOS ANGELES (SSN 688)	CDR R. E. BEEDLE, USN
USS BATON ROUGE (SSN 689)	CDR T. C. MALONEY, USN
USS MEMPHIS (SSN 691)	CDR G. D. HICKS, USN
PRECOMMU CINCINNATI (SSN 693)	CDR G. V. WILKES, III, USN
PRECOMMU BIRMINGHAM (SSN 695)	CDR P. L. CALLAHAN, USN
TWR-1 DIAMOND	QMC E. W. SMITH, USN (Craftmaster)

Enclosure (1)

2. Summary of Operations.

a. Deployments:

(1) USS BLUEFISH (SSN 675), USS LOS ANGELES (SSN 688) and USS FLYING FISH (SSN 673) completed SIXTH Fleet deployments during 1977. USS SEA DEVIL commenced a SIXTH Fleet deployment and remained deployed at year's end.

(2) USS SPADEFISH (SSN 668), USS FINBACK (SSN 670), USS FLYING FISH, and USS BLUEFISH participated in extended exercises in the Atlantic during 1977.

b. Overhauls:

(1) USS L. Y. SPEAR (AS 36) commenced a regular overhaul on 16 May 1977 at Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, VA and remained in overhaul at year's end. Support was provided to Submarine Squadron SIX during SPEAR's absence by USS FULTON (AS 11), USS ORION (AS 15) and USS HUNLEY (AS 31) for varying periods of up to six weeks each.

(2) USS LAPON (SSN 661) completed a regular overhaul at Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Corporation, Newport News, VA in September.

(3) USS HAMMERHEAD (SSN 663) was in the finishing stages of a regular overhaul at Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Corporation, Newport News, VA at year's end.

(4) USS SILVERSIDES (SSN 679) commenced a regular overhaul at Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, VA on 17 January 1977 and remained in overhaul at year's end.

(5) USS KITTIWAKE (ASR 13) commenced overhaul in Norfolk, VA on 27 September 1977 and remained in overhaul at year's end.

c. Commissionings:

(1) USS BATON ROUGE (SSN 689), under the command of CDR T. C. MALONEY, USN, was commissioned on 25 June 1977 in ceremonies conducted at Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Corporation, Newport News, Virginia.

(2) USS MEMPHIS (SSN 691), under the command of CDR G. D. HICKS, USN, was commissioned on 18 December 1977 in ceremonies conducted at Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Corporation, Newport News, Virginia.

d. Distinguished Visitors. Submarine Squadron SIX units had many distinguished visitors during 1977. These visitors are to be documented in each individual unit history. However, the Submarine Force, Commander Submarine Squadron SIX, and USS LOS ANGELES (SSN 688) on 27 May 1977 had the pleasure of hosting the President of the United States, Mr. Jimmy CARTER, Mrs. CARTER and their daughter Amy for a short underway submerged visit off Cape Canaveral, Florida.

3. Special Topics

a. Ships of Submarine Squadron SIX winning intra-ship competitive wards in FY-77 were:

BATTLE EFFICIENCY "E"

USS SPADEFISH (SSN 668)
USS KITTIWAKE (ASR 13)

ANTISUBMARINE WEAPONS AND OPERATIONS "A"

USS SPADEFISH (SSN 668)
USS SEA DEVIL (SSN 664)

SUPPLY DEPARTMENT "E"

USS L. Y. SPEAR (AS 36)
USS FINBACK (SSN 670)

ENGINEERING "E"

USS KITTIWAKE (ASR 13)
USS ORTOLAN (ASR 22)
USS FLYING FISH (SSN 673)
USS SPADEFISH (SSN 668)

DAMAGE CONTROL "DC"

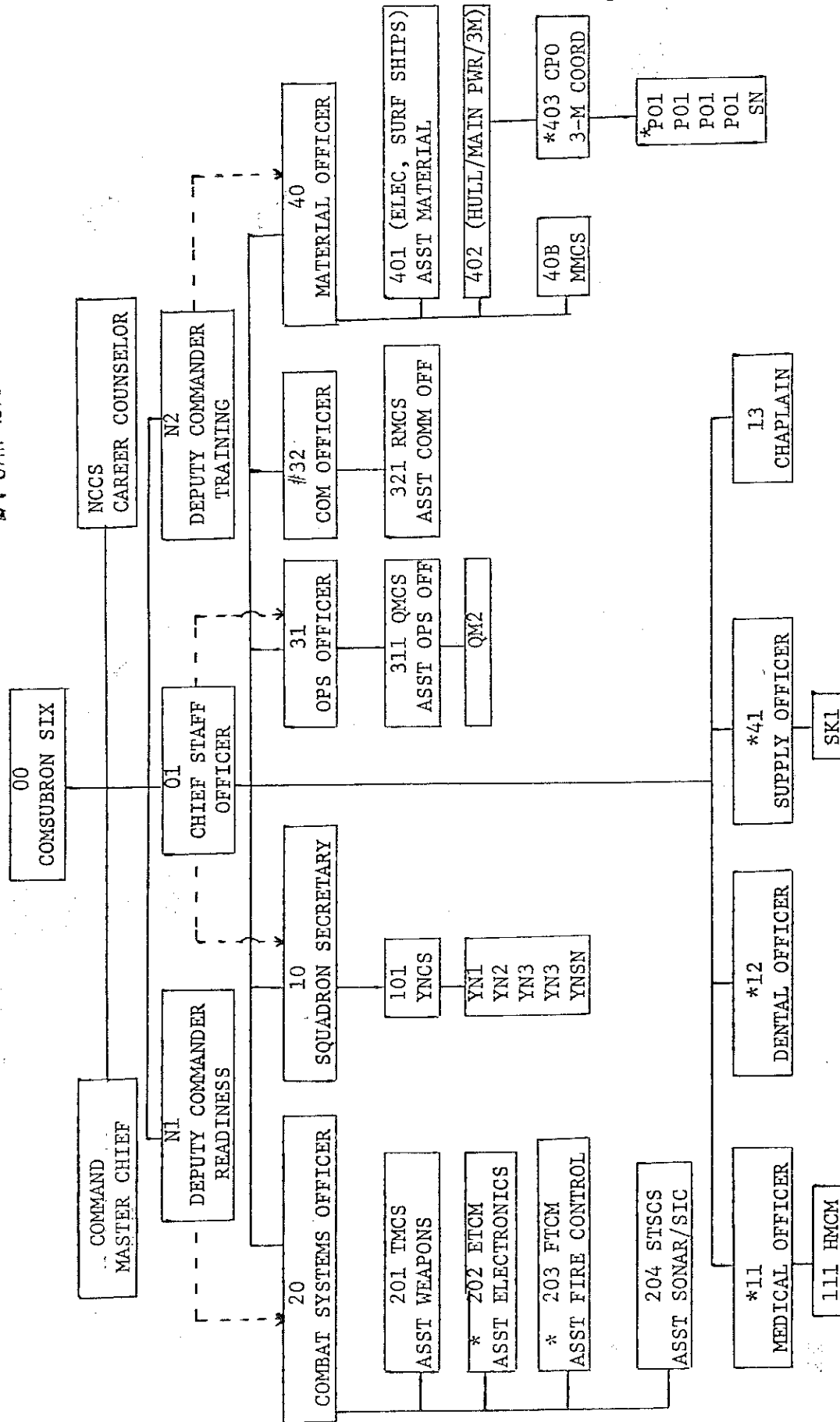
USS KITTIWAKE (ASR 13)

STAFF CODE	RANK/RATE/NAME	TITLE/BILLET
00	CAPT D. M. SMITH	COMSUBRON SIX
01	CDR J. H. SIMPSON	CHIEF STAFF OFFICER
	CDR J. R. MOORE	PROS SUBRON EIGHT COS
N1	CDR J. C. BRONS	DEP CDR FOR READINESS
N2	CDR W. B. MCAREE II	DEP CDR FOR TRAINING
31	LCDR P. W. PRITCHARD	OPERATIONS OFFICER
311	QMCM(SS) A. J. SMITH	ASST OPERATIONS OFFICER
312	QMI(SS) D. G. KRAUSE	OPERATIONS OFFICE
311Z		COMMODORE'S DRIVER
32 (T)	LT J. C. MOORE	COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER
321	RMCM(SS) L. A. HUGHES	ASST COMM. OFFICER
322	RMC(SS) A. E. MILLER	PROS SUBRON EIGHT ASST COMM OFFICER
40	LCDR L. T. KEEGAN	MATERIAL OFFICER
40A	LCDR R. K. ROOSA	PROS SUBRON EIGHT MAT.OFF.
40B	MMCS(SS) J. M. CLARK	MATERIAL OFFICE (FLTRES)
401	LT W. J. WAGEMAKER	EMO
402	LT T. J. TIDD	ASST MATERIAL OFFICER
403 (T)	ENCM WENTWORTH	MATERIAL ASST
TWR1 (T)	QMC E. W. SMITH	DIAMOND CRAFT MASTER
(T)	HT1 M. M. CRISOSTOMO	3-M OFFICE
(T)	HT1 M. V. EVANS	3-M OFFICE
(T)	EM1 G. G. KING	3-M OFFICE
(T)	EN1 R. H. CROWE	3-M OFFICE
(T)	YN3 R. W. ENSIGN	3-M OFFICE
41 (A)	CDR J. D. JAAP (SC)	SUPPLY OFFICER
	SKI(SS) A. C. APIGO	SUBSAT
20	LT J. M. IANNETTA	COMBAT SYSTEMS OFFICER
201	TMCM(SS) R. B. HOLMES	ASST COMBAT SYSTEMS OFF.
202 (T)	ETC C. R. ROWSON	ASST COMBAT SYSTEMS OFF.
203 (T)	FTGC(SS) E. K. KOSLOVIC	ASST COMBAT SYSTEMS OFF.
204	STCM(SS) R. E. WITTE	ASST COMBAT SYSTEMS OFF.
10	CWO4 W. D. WYATT	SQDRN SEC/PERS OFFICER
101	YNC J. E. HUNTER	ASST SQDN SEC/PERS OFF.
102	YN1(SS) A. R. ROSE	TAD/SEC YN/INCOMING MAIL
103	YN1(SS) C. J. WHITE	PERS DEF/QUOTAS/TAD BOATS
104	PN2(SS) F. S. LEFEVRE	DIARY/DISQUALS PRP
105	YN3 J. DIAZ	TRANSIENTS/STAFF RECORDS
CC	QMCS(SS) R. G. FRANKS	CAREER COUNSELOR
11 (A)	LT T. A. NETTER (MC)	MEDICAL OFFICER
111	HMC(SS) "H" C. BRACKEN	SQUADRON CORPSMAN
12 (T)	CAPT R. B. ANNIS (DC)	DENTAL OFFICER
13 (T)	LT G. H. MCCRANIE (CHC)	SQUADRON CHAPLAIN
	(T) TAD to STAFF	(A) ADDU to STAFF
	(D) Due to detach	(R) Due to report

Enclosure (3)

UNITED STATES ATLANTIC FLEET
COMMANDER TASK UNITS 42.4.3 AND
COMMANDER SUBMARINE SQUADRON SIX
27 JAN 1978

TAB A TO APPENDIX 1 TO ANNEX S TO COMSUBRON SIX OPORD J
ORGANIZATION CHART



----- INDICATES ADVISORY ROLE

* ASSIGNED ADDU FROM USS L.Y. SPEAR (AS36)

BILLET FILLED BY COMM OFFICER OF L.Y. SPEAR (AS36)

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Enclosure (2)

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